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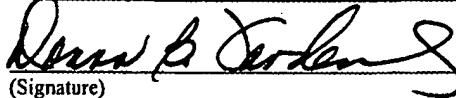
First Named Inventor: James Colegrove

Title: Optimum Compaction Low Void Composite Bicycle Wheel Rim

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